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## CITY BOND ISSUE CARRIES; REPUBLICANS WIN EASILY

### Bond Issue Is Given Approval by Voters

Over Sixty Percent of Entire Total Is Given to the City's Important Water Proposition

#### FAVOR CHARTER AMENDMENT

Give Vote of Almost Five to One On Proposition To Change Fiscal Year.

The voters of the city of Alma on Tuesday expressed themselves as heartily in favor of bonding the community for \$80,000 to be used in the expansion of the water system, and to furnish the city with a pure well water supply by completing the well system by the addition of an elevated tank, a million gallon reservoir and new wells. The proposition to change the fiscal year carried by a large vote.

The measure received over the 60 per cent vote that it needed, although it will not be until the official return is made that the exact count is secured, as Record figures, while showing that the proposition passed by more than the required 60 per cent, do not give quite as large a total as the city officials secured. This is a minor matter, however, as it is certain that Alma has approved the issue.

Figures compiled by The Record are more liable to contain the error than those of the city officials, because of the stress of work in compiling other returns at the office. The Record count shows 1306 in favor of the bond issue and 657 opposed to the bonding of the city.

Of this amount \$22,000 is to be used for the purchase of an elevated tank of 150,000 gallons capacity, \$5,800 for a plunger pump, \$26,000 for the construction of a million gallon reservoir, and \$26,200 for water main extensions and new wells.

The vote follows:

Precinct	Yes	No
1 of ward 1	430	164
2 of ward 1	208	101
1 of ward 2	127	71
2 of ward 2	103	87
Ward 3	165	122
Ward 4	273	112
Total	1306	657

The proposition to change the beginning of the fiscal year from October 1 to July 1 on which there has been no discussion except for one article in The Record, which set forth the advantages of such a change, carried by a large vote, the total for the amendment to the city charter to this effect being 1517 yes, and 333 no.

The vote on the proposition by precincts follows:

Precinct	Yes	No
1 of ward 1	497	70
2 of ward 1	133	30
1 of ward 2	247	43
2 of ward 2	226	44
Third ward	273	112
Fourth ward	141	34
Totals	1517	333

#### BAD FIRE

St. Louis Business District Hit By Bad Blaze.

Early last Friday evening the Alma Fire Department was called to St. Louis to assist the department of that city in quelling a blaze that had started in the new opera house block and was threatening the entire western part of the business district of that city.

When the Alma department arrived on the scene to lend its co-operation in extinguishing the blaze, the opera house on the second floor of the building, one of the finest in St. Louis, was blazing fiercely. Goods from the Vliet dry goods store and the Smalley clothing store on the first floor were being rapidly removed from the building, as were the fixtures.

The fire departments of the two cities speedily brought the fire under control, and confined it to the opera house, although it had been threatening to extend to adjoining buildings. The opera house was ruined, but the only damage done on the first floor was by smoke and water. The goods taken hastily from the two stores on the first floor were damaged to some extent by smoke and water.

The burning of the opera house leaves St. Louis without a theater, except for the movie.

The damage will run into the thousands of dollars, and had it not been for the fine work of the Alma department, there is little question but what it would have mounted to a far higher figure. The local department is to be commended on its promptness in answering the St. Louis call, and for the manner in which the department fought the fire.

Read the last page of this paper—something doing—adv.

### NEW INDUSTRY FOR THIS CITY

Alma Foundry and Manufacturing Company To Be Located Here.

#### TO START OPERATIONS SOON

Plant of Former Paint Company Is Secured For Use of New Concern.

Alma is to have a new industry within the next thirty days, in the Alma Foundry and Manufacturing Co., according to E. M. Templin, one of the incorporators of the company, in an announcement made the first of the week.

Mr. Templin, in making the announcement stated that the company which is capitalized at \$50,000, has secured the plant of the late X-Cel. All Paint company of this city, which is located in the southeastern part of the city. This plant is now being remodeled to suit the needs of the Alma Foundry and Manufacturing Co. A fireproof cupola room, is being constructed, as well as another addition to the plant.

The foundry equipment of the St. Louis foundry, controlled by John Schwartz of Alma, is being moved to Alma, and will become a part of the equipment of the new Alma factory.

Considerable progress has already been made in the remodeling of the paint factory to make it suitable for the needs of the new company, and Mr. Templin feels confident that within the next thirty days, the first heat will be taken off.

Mr. Schwartz, one of the incorporators, has been manufacturing Little Giant Paper Presses at the St. Louis foundry, and the manufacturers of these machines originally started in Alma, will again be undertaken here by the new foundry company. The manufacture and sale of the presses will be pushed, it is understood, harder than ever before.

The three incorporators of the new Alma industry, for which the city has felt a need for several years, are Judge H. J. Paulus of Marion, Ind., and John Schwartz and E. M. Templin of this city.

#### PLANS ACTION

State Intends to Stop Pollution of Its Rivers.

A lack of oxygen in places in some of the rivers of the state, notably in the river between St. Louis and Alma, and at Owosso, has caused the death of thousands of fish, the stench from the dead fish arousing St. Louis people to appeal to the state for an investigation, while at Owosso, the matter was taken up by the novelist, James Oliver Curwood, and it is certain that steps will be taken to curb the trouble.

The state is planning action to protect the streams against pollution according to an announcement Thursday by Dr. Olin, state health commissioner. The health department and the attorney general in an effort to clear up the difficulties arising through alleged pollution of parts of the river, between St. Louis and Alma as well as other streams.

Hundreds of pounds of dead fish smothered when pollution robbed the water of oxygen, were taken from the river last week—and the week previous, the commissioner said. He added that preliminary investigation had indicated that water used to wash sugar beets in factories, together with sewage, is responsible. After the responsibility has been fixed, it was said, the attorney general's department may be asked to make application for an injunction to restrain objectionable practices.

#### MEETING SATURDAY

There will be a meeting of the leaders of the County Y. M. C. A. at the secretary's office in the City Hall Saturday commencing at 9:30 a. m. It will be followed by a luncheon at the Tiffin Cafe at 12:30. For some time it has been felt that there is a need of getting the leaders of the Y. M. C. A. together to work out the problems that confront them in their work. All men interested in the Y. M. C. A. are invited to attend the session Saturday morning.

#### MARRIED WEDNESDAY

Miss Jeanne Miller and Clair A. Perrigo were married Wednesday, Oct. 27, at St. Louis, Rev. Masters of St. Louis Baptist church performing the ceremony. They were attended by William Amos of Alma College. Mr. Perrigo is a resident of St. Louis and a senior in Alma College. Mrs. Perrigo was a student there last year. The best wishes of their many friends go with them. They will reside in Alma for the present.

### Tuesday's Winners at the Election



#### HILLSDALE NEXT

College Clashes Saturday With Another Strong M. I. A. A. Team.

Hillsdale College's strong Michigan Intercollegiate aggregation, which played Albion to a standstill Saturday, a scoreless tie being the result, will meet Coach Steele's co-opts on Davis field this coming Saturday at 2:30, and these promises to be a royal battle.

Hillsdale, naturally will be a big favorite for the honors, having held Albion scoreless, after the Albionites had whalloped Alma badly, but that does not mean that the Blue and White will walk off with the game by any means.

The Ypsi game of Saturday, which saw a revamped Alma eleven, demonstrated that Steele has now worked up a line that should be able to hold its own with any line that an M. I. A. A. college can throw against it.

The backfield is certain to be stronger than it was against Ypsi, as Handley, Alma's crack star, will in all probability again be in the lineup, after having been out of the Ypsi fray with a badly battered foot.

The members of the Maroon and Cream squad are not making any predictions as to the outcome of the Hillsdale fray, but there is a grim determination in the camp, to fight the Baptists to a standstill, proving to the fans that the green eleven is fast coming to its own in M. I. A. A. football circles.

#### HOG CHOLERA

Malady Is Being Found in Gratiot Says Livestock Commissioner.

More than 350 herds of hogs in Michigan are affected by hog cholera, in an epidemic that is gaining serious proportions, according to S. S. Halliday, state livestock commissioner.

To meet the epidemic and aid in its eradication, the board of state auditors Thursday authorized three additional field men for the commissioner's staff, their salaries to be paid out of the emergency fund.

Counties where the malady is most prevalent, according to Halliday, are Saginaw, Gratiot, Clinton, Shiawassee, Genesee, Tuscola, Livingston, Ingham, Eaton, Barry, Washtenaw, Branch, St. Joseph, Ionia and Oakland, with the most serious epidemics reported from Shiawassee and Oakland.

The chief cause of the epidemic, according to Halliday, is the low price for hogs which has resulted in a tendency among farmers to hold their hogs and to neglect the health of the porkers.

#### WEATHER SUMMARY

The weather summary for the month of October, as given by F. L. Delavan, local observer, is as follows: Mean maximum temperature 70 degrees. Mean minimum 46 degrees, with a mean of 58 degrees. The maximum for the month was 85 degrees on the 12th, 17th, and 22nd, and the minimum, 28 degrees on the 30th.

The total precipitation during the month was 1.45 inches, the greatest amount in 24 hours being .58 inches on the 27th. There were 14 clear days during the month, 9 partly cloudy and 8 cloudy.

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#### FARM BUREAU

Drive Under Way For Membership In Gratiot County.

The drive for memberships in Gratiot county for the Farm Bureau was started today in North Shade and New Haven townships and will continue for ten days, covering practically every corner of the county before the work is brought to a conclusion.

On Friday the drive in Fulton and Newark townships will take place, and it is expected that many farmers in these townships will avail themselves of the opportunity to join the bureau.

Township chairmen have been appointed and are now lining up their respective townships for the active work of the campaign, so that the memberships may be procured with the least possible delay, and permit the work to be brought to a rapid conclusion.

The township chairmen follow: Fulton township, M. J. Paine; Newark, Harold Houser; North Shade, D. G. Loche; New Haven, Charles Heister; North Star, F. R. Howes; Washington, Wilbur Selvert; Elba, A. N. Palmer; Hamilton, S. J. Curtis; Sumner, Arthur J. Murphy; Seville, William Schiff; Pine River, William Vanderbeek; Arcadia, Bird Clark; Wheeler, John Young; Bethany, George Hurst; Emerson, Frank Hebron; Lafayette, Harry Gulick.

The dates for the drives in the various townships after today follow: Fulton and Newark, November 5; North Star and Elba, November 6; Hamilton and Washington, November 8; Sumner and Seville, November 9; Pine River and Arcadia, November 10; Bethany and Emerson, November 11; Wheeler and Lafayette, November 12.

#### MEET GREENVILLE

High School Eleven Will Face Strong Team Friday.

Coach Mullin's Alma high school griders will meet the strong Greenville high eleven at Greenville Friday afternoon, and while a hot battle is being looked for, it is confidently expected that the Orange and Black aggregation will be returned a winner.

The locals have been showing a rapid improvement during the past three or four weeks, both on the line and in the backfield, and in both the offensive and defensive parts of the play. Every man on the squad will be in good shape to face the Greenville team, which has piled up a formidable record this year, and as a result it is expected that the high schoolers will put up the strongest battle of the season.

Coach Mullin has given his eleven a bunch of trick plays which will be tried out against the Greenville team, and it is desired to perfect them under fire before Alma meets Flint Central at Flint next week and Mt. Pleasant on Davis field later in the month. Every effort will be used by the Alma clan in bringing the football season to a brilliant close by victories over both Flint and the Normal Town high aggregations.

#### BOARD OF TRADE MEMBERS

There will be a meeting Tuesday evening at the city hall of all members of the Board of Trade. An official of the Chamber of Commerce at Pontiac will give an address. Important business is to come up and every member is urged to attend.

### Harding and Coolidge Have a Big Majority

Groesbeck's Lead Over Ferris for Governor Is Much Greater Than his Friends Anticipated

#### DIED SATURDAY

Old Resident of City Died at His Home on Park Avenue.

Leopold Kehn, aged 79 years, and an old and highly respected citizen of the community, passed away at his home on Park avenue, at an early hour Saturday morning.

Mr. Kehn came to Alma almost thirty-five years ago, from Fenton, and since that time had been a continuous resident of Alma until the time of his death. During the early years of his residence in Alma he was in the merchant tailoring business, but in his later years retired, and lived a quiet life. During that time that he lived in this city he enjoyed a fine reputation, and was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the late home, Rev. J. Frank Jackson officiating. Interment was made in Riverside cemetery.

### THE COUNTY TICKET HAS AN EASY TIME

Republican Candidates Roll Into Office at Crest of the Big Vote Wave.

Gratiot Republicans had just as little to worry them Tuesday as they have had at any time in years in county elections, the Democrats having as little luck in office grabbing in Gratiot county, as in the national and state elections. It was a clean sweep for Republicanism in Gratiot.

While a clean sweep for the Republicans, electing William A. Bahlike of this city and Ray McCall of Ithaca as circuit court commissioners. They had no opposition in the race, but even at that ran little better than the balance of the ticket. Some few Republicans paid the two a complimentary vote in some instances, but on the whole there was little attention paid to the two offices by the Republicans.

The county ticket was carried into office at the crest of the big tide of votes that gave the G. O. P. nominees almost three votes to one for the opposition.

It had been predicted that James Kress, Alma city attorney, who was the Republican nominee for Probate Judge, would get many split votes from Alma Democrats, but this did not prove to be the case, as he was given little encouragement from the Alma Dems. Alma paid a fine tribute to Kress, however, but then the Alma Republicans also gave that same tribute to every candidate on the ticket, most of whom are office holders of proven ability.

There had been some little worry expressed in some quarters in regard to the possible chances that Bernie Case, county clerk, might be defeated in view of the hard campaign that was waged for Sarah Brodebeck. The fight that Miss Brodebeck put up to become Gratiot's first woman office holder, allowed her to finish just slightly better than the balance of the ticket, some few votes in a number of precincts in various parts of the county, giving her a slight lead over the others of her ticket.

Tabulation of the vote in the county appears elsewhere in The Record.

#### GRATIOT OFFICERS

The officials of Gratiot county elected Tuesday follow:

Judge of Probate—James G. Kress. Representative in Congress—David G. Locke. Sheriff—Alfred T. Willert. County Clerk—Bernie L. Case. County Treasurer—Sidney Evey. Register of Deeds—Bird J. Tucker. Prosecuting Attorney—Ora L. Smith.

Circuit Court Commissioners—W. A. Bahlike and Ray McCall. Coroners—Will K. Ludwig and Bert C. Hall. Drain Commissioner—Erva R. Laycock. Surveyor—Joseph W. Harrod.

Do not forget that the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion will hold their regular meeting at the city hall Tuesday night, November 9, at 7:30. All members are requested to be present and if possible bring a new member.

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#### SENATE TO BE REPUBLICAN

School Amendment Buried in State But Given Lead in Alma and Gratiot.

Tuesday's election in both the United States and Michigan was a wonderful landslide which exceeded even the fondest expectations of the most partisan of Republicans, the success of the national ticket, sweeping everything except the "solid south," carrying Republicans on both state and county tickets into office in numerous states, where a G. O. P. victory had hardly been predicted.

The success of the national ticket which swept Harding and Coolidge into the presidency and vice presidency on the crest of a great wave of votes, and gave the Republicans a good working majority in both the house and the senate, spells the death knell of the League of Nations, without reservations, the injection of the League into the campaign by the Democrats making it the big issue of the fight, which was turned into a rout for the Wilson pact.

In the Michigan election Alex. J. Groesbeck, whose followers had expected a majority of about 75,000 or less over Ferris, was given a happy shock, as the majority of the Republican nominee exceeds any that has ever been rolled up in a Michigan election. Ferris ran ahead of his ticket in nearly every section of the state, but strong as the former Governor is, he was not able to stem to any appreciable extent, the flood of Republican votes.

The balance of the Republican ticket in Michigan was carried into office by even a larger majority than that given Groesbeck, indicating that Michigan is still in the front rank as a solid G. O. P. state.

Both Alma and Gratiot county returned a majority for the school amendment, which held the greatest interest of the election in Michigan. Alma gave Yes 1015, No 689. The county probably gave it the largest majority of any county in the state. Few counties returned for the measure, and it was snowed under in the state. The total vote will show it beaten by upwards of 100,000 votes.

Returns on the other state amendments are still meager, and the fate of these is not expected to be known until the official returns are made.

The latest returns, which are still coming in, indicate that Harding's total of electoral votes will run very close to 400. He now seems certain to have 391, with excellent chances of breaking into the "solid south" to the extent of winning the border states of Tennessee and Oklahoma. In Michigan Harding will have a majority reaching close to 400,000 when the count is all in.

Groesbeck's total will be around 300,000 majority, apparently, the latest returns indicate, the strength of Ferris cutting down the Republican nominee to that extent. Groesbeck's total will stand, however, as the surprising feature of the campaign in Michigan, as his closest friends and political observers were not estimating over 100,000 at any time, as his majority. It is a splendid tribute to the Detroiters.

#### HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Halloween party given by the Auxiliary October 29th, was a grand success both from a good time and a financial standpoint. The decorations of black and yellow were very cleverly arranged so as to give the affair the mysterious air necessary for each and every one to enjoy the real spirit of the evening. Partners were chosen in a very original manner, for which Mr. Earl Medler deserves the credit as chief spokesman. A witches den made up one corner of the hall, while a table with good old fashioned cider stood in another. The music was excellent and Home Sweet Home rolled around so quickly that it was hard to believe the fun was over.

#### L. O. T. M. INSTALLS OFFICERS

Alma Hive No. 332 held a public installation Saturday evening at the I. O. O. F. temple. Refreshments were served to over one hundred and fifty. The officers were installed by Deputy Com. Mary A. Clow, assisted by Alma Saad acting as G. M. at A. Commander—Mary A. Clow. Lieut. Com.—Edith Stafford. Past Com.—Nora Corai. Record Keeper—Cecile Gee. Finance Keeper—Hattie White. Chaplain—Ellen Pardee. M. at A.—Irene Winn. Sergeant—Mary Parker. Sentinel—Millie Perry. Picket—Carrie Elliott.

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